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STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir,

It has been more than twenty-one months since this continuation application was filed. Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the application.

If the Examiner believes that a personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1220.

Respectfully submitted,

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